

# New Community Colleges Fill Up Gap In Education

**Editor's Note—Community colleges are booming in Michigan. What is the role of the community college in the overall state education picture? What should a community college offer the area it serves? These and other questions about this facet of higher education in Michigan are answered in this, the second of a three-part series. The story was written by Stuart Gross, Saginaw News education writer, and is offered as another in the weekly state membership feature exchange program.**

LANSING (AP)—Whenever expansion of higher education to meet increased enrollments is discussed, the community college plays an important part in the discussion.

The reason is obvious. It is relatively cheap for Michigan to encourage the development of community colleges within driving distance of the potential student population.

The legislature now pays state aid to community colleges at \$224 per student. This is less than half the amount the state grants four-year colleges and universities per student for operating costs.

Also the state pays the full shot of classroom construction at four-year colleges. In community college districts this cost is shared or borne entirely by local tax payers through bond issues paid for out of local property taxes.

For example when Delta College's district of Saginaw, Bay, and Midland counties was organized, the residents approved an \$8 million bond issue to build the college. The state contribution toward this structure was less than \$500,000.

Dr. Lynn Bartlett, school superintendent, said community college development is economical for the state, but community college education is not cheap education. Financing for community college operation are split into thirds—one third from the state, another from local taxes, and a third from tuition.

The cost per student averages out at around \$500 for the institution. If the community college is a part of a secondary school system and under board of education control, all money allocated by the state or coming from tuition is expected to be used for community college operation and not for secondary or elementary costs.

This was the pattern advanced for Michigan by Dr. John Jamrich, consultant for a special legislative committee seeking a solution for a four-year college need in the Saginaw Valley. This senior college, an autonomous institution, would accept transfer students from Delta and any other college for the last two years. The plan failed in the legislature. It was not supported by Delta

College, but was supported by the Michigan Council of Community College Administrators.

## Functions Outlined

The pattern to be successful in the state, would require the existing public colleges and universities to stop expanding at the freshman and sophomore level, leaving such places as University of Michigan Wayne State University and Michigan State University as Upper division and graduate schools.

Another proposal advanced, to establish a UM campus on the Delta campus to solve the Saginaw Valley college need, was killed in the legislature. The Community College Association fought the proposal on grounds it would "destroy the concept of the community college" in Michigan.

This term "concept of community college" has been used widely by community college people. It's exact definition is hard to come by. Bartlett said it is a five-part concept. A good community college, he said, should function as:

1. A good 2-year academic program for degree-bound students.
2. Offer a wide variety of terminal programs up to two years in length to meet the labor requirements of a community.
3. Offer good guidance services.
4. Offer cultural programs for the community and become a cultural center for the community.
5. Offer good adult education programs.

"No one community college," he said, "is equally strong in all five of these points. Some do a better job in some of the areas than the others."

## Lindquist Wins Dodge Scholarship

BARK RIVER — Michael A. Lindquist, who is completing his second year studying food science and majoring in dairy food manufacture at Michigan State University at East Lansing was awarded on May 8, the \$1,000 Dodge & Olcott scholarship by the Institute of Food Technologists, for outstanding scholastic achievements.

Lindquist, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lindquist of Bark River, was an all-A student at Holy Name High School in Escanaba. Upon his graduation in 1962 he was awarded the MSU Alumni scholarship. Sears, Roebuck, the American Legion scholarships and the \$2,000 scholarship of the Chicago Dairy Technology Society, which pays \$600 a year for four years. On March 1, 1962 he received a freshman scholarship award from Alpha Zeta, national agriculture honorary, at Michigan State University's annual agricultural honors program. The Dodge & Olcott award just received is for the 1963-64 year.



One of the most complex corners of a boy's world is the cockpit of a jet fighter plane. John Schrock, 6, of Escanaba, had that thrill that comes from simulating jet flight in the cockpit of a fighter when he attended the open house on Armed Forces Day at K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base.

## Peninsula Potpourri

**MEMORINEE** — Carl H. Fernstrum, charter member of Menominee Elks Lodge 1755, Saturday was elected president of the Michigan Elks Association at the annual convention in Flint.

Fernstrum, who has served the past year as vice president at large in Michigan, succeeds Donald Frisinger of Kalamazoo.

**IRON RIVER** — Dedication of a state historical commission marker designating the Bates Township Park as the site of the first roadside park in Michigan has been set for July 2. Prentice Brown, chairman of the Mackinac Bridge Authority and a former United States Senator, is expected to represent the state historical commission at the dedication ceremony.

**IRON MOUNTAIN** — The Wisconsin Attorney General's office has ruled that the new Town of Spread Eagle has the authority to issue the liquor licenses in its territory. The letter also states that the licenses will be valid even if the Supreme Court should reverse the order of the circuit court creating the new town.

**WAYS FROM RISING SUN** — RISING SUN, Ind. — A notice in the Ohio County News: "Will the person who borrowed the wheel barrow from my premises please return it. The owner, Raymond Baker, would like to borrow it for a few days. H. L. Baxter."

George Washington signed the first tariff act on July 4, 1789.

## Tech Faculty Men Honored

HOUGHTON — Dr. Wilbur M. Haas, associate professor of engineering at Michigan Tech, and Ernest Kemp, assistant professor of geology at the Sault Ste. Marie Branch, were honored here today at Tech's 11th annual Honors Convocation.

Kemp was presented the 1963 distinguished teacher award and Dr. Haas received the faculty research citation. The citations were presented by Dr. J. R. Van Pelt, president of the college.

Dr. J. K. Gustafson of San Francisco, president of Homestake Mining Co., delivered the Convocation address and received an honorary Doctor of Engineering degree. Almost 300 students were recognized for their scholastic achievements.

In the presentation of the citations, Dr. Van Pelt cited Kemp for his effective teaching, inspirational leadership, active contact with two major fields of scientific endeavor, his integrity as a teacher and his interest in students as individuals.

A graduate of Michigan Tech, Kemp has been on the Sault Branch faculty since 1946.

Dr. Haas was cited for demonstrated leadership in the field of research. He has been particularly active for several years in research involving frost action on soils, and has recently been named director of a new 18-month study of frost action in highway base and subbase materials. This project will be conducted under a \$65,000 contract awarded to Michigan Tech under the National Cooperative Highway Research Program.

John Erickson, David Nedea, Leo Nedea and Harvey Sundin have taken employment with the Prokos Construction Co., Manistique.

The school year in the United States averages 180 days.

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Escanaba's Centennial was promoted at the annual Michigan Credit Union League held in Detroit recently by this group. From left: Cecil Chase, Myron Carlson, Mrs. Willard Borman and Ed Perres. They are heads of local credit unions.

## Baby Neglected; Parents Accused Of Manslaughter

DETROIT (AP)—A warrant for involuntary manslaughter by neglect will be sought against a young Detroit couple in the death of their 10-month-old daughter, police said Monday.

Officers reported the mother, Mrs. Michele Shabot, 20, said she neglected her daughter because her husband neglected her. The medical examiner's office said the child, Christian Shabot,

died of extreme malnutrition and bronchial pneumonia caused by malnutrition.

The child's body, which weighed eight pounds—one pound less than at birth — was taken by police from a room in the couple's upper flat home.

Mrs. Shabot, who walked into a police station Saturday and told the desk sergeant she had a "dead baby" at home, told Assistant Prosecutor Clarence Laster that she started neglecting the baby about three months ago to get even with her husband, Roland, 25, who, she said, was neglecting her.

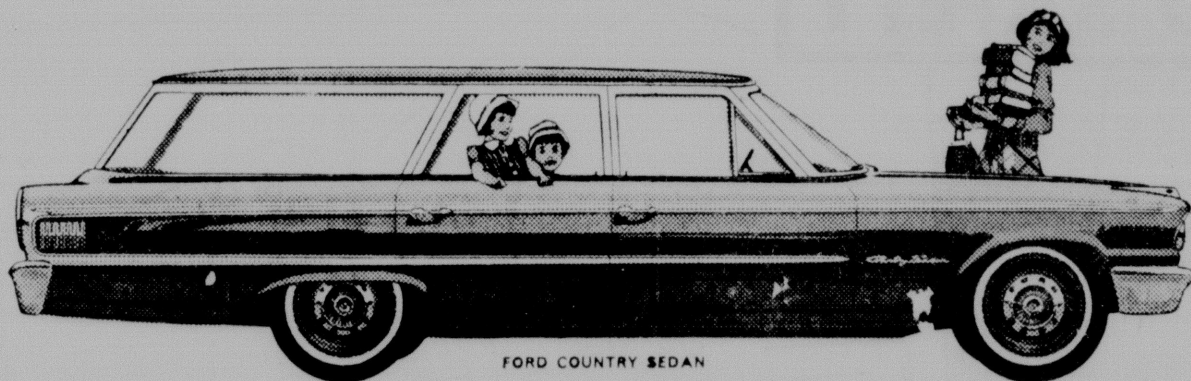
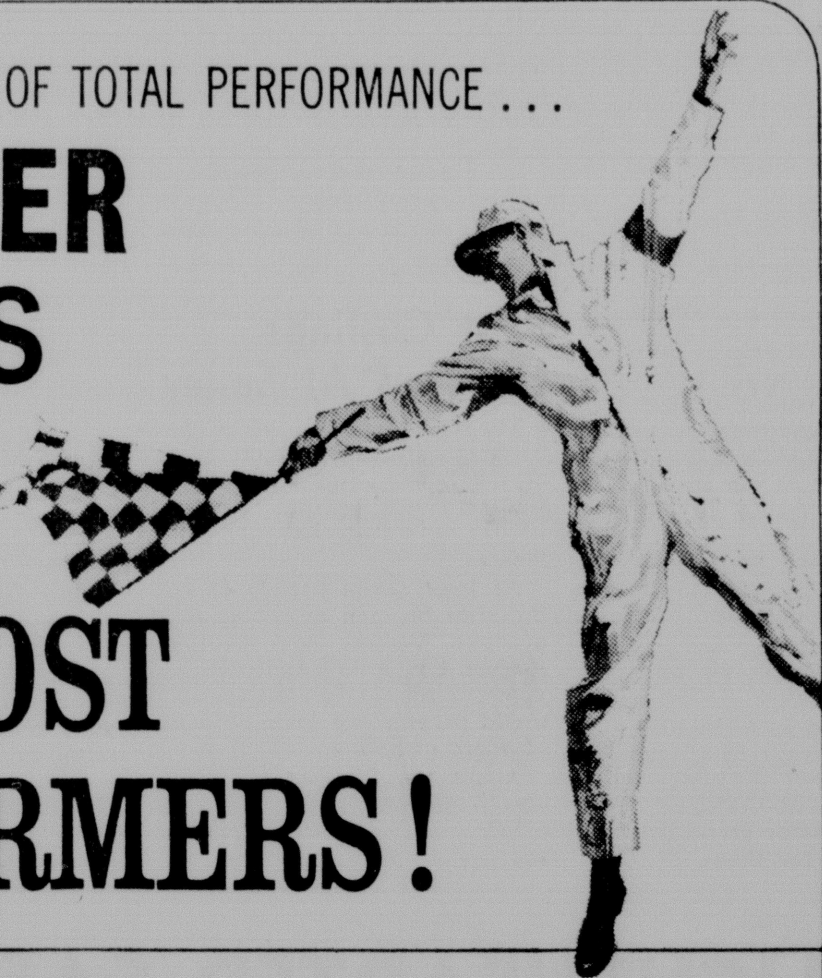
## Hillsdale Faculty Veteran Stricken

HILLSDALE (AP)—Dr. Windsor Hall Roberts, 70, a member of the Hillsdale College faculty for 38 years, died here Monday.

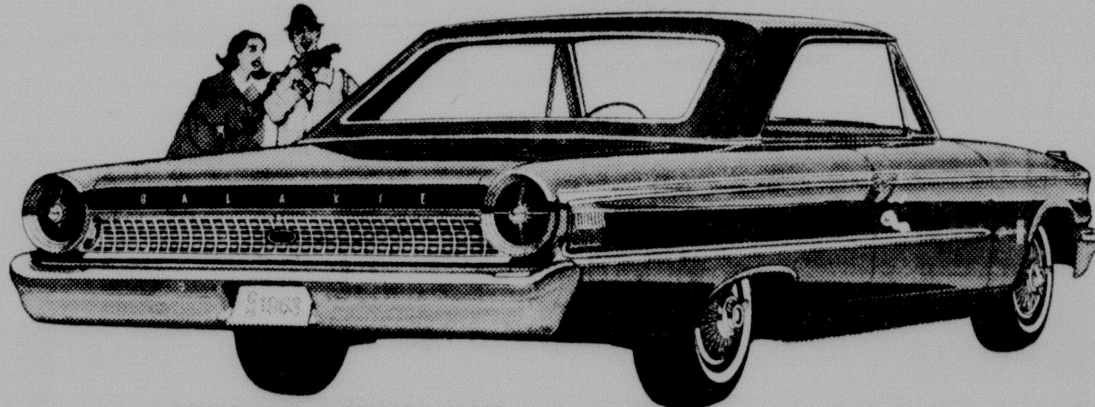
Roberts, a professor of history and chairman of the social science division, was well known in southern Michigan as a speaker on international affairs. He founded the model United Nations Assembly at Hillsdale, attended annually by southern Michigan high school students.

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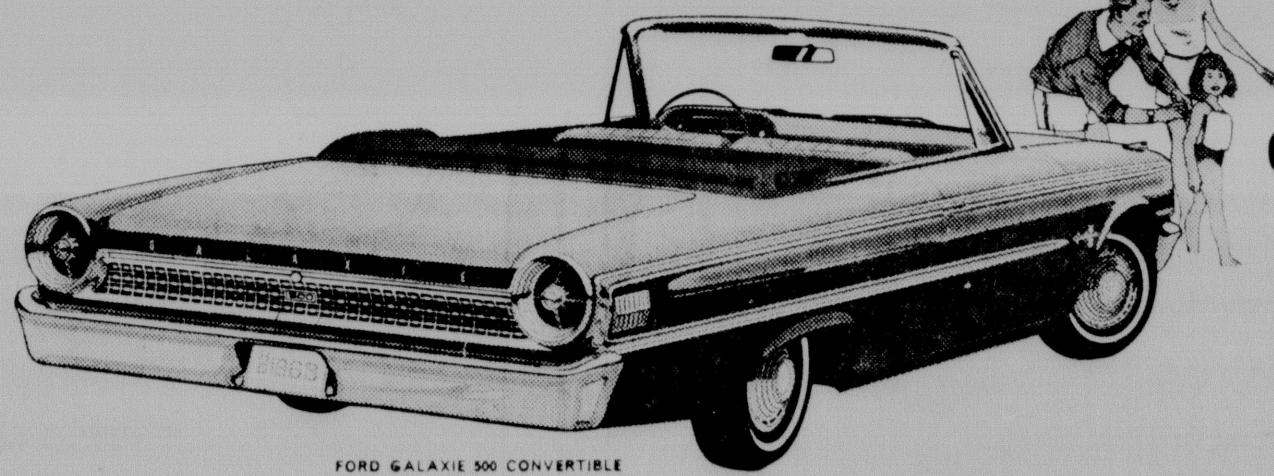
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